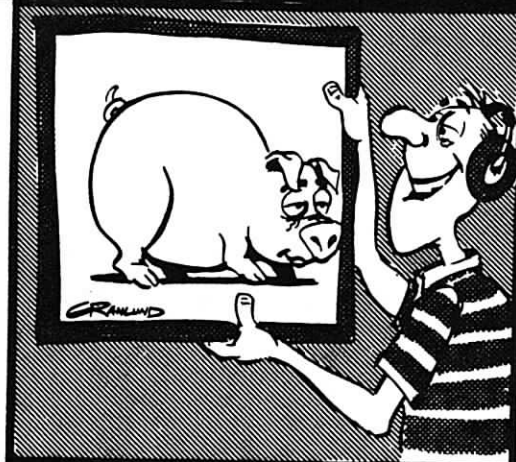


The FRAMINGHAM

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FRAMINGHAM AMATEUR
RADIO ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER



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THE FRAMINGHAM AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY MEETS THE
FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE
DANFORTH MUSEUM. ALL AMATEURS AND PERSONS
INTERESTED IN AMATEUR RADIO ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.
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THE NEXT MEETING OF THE FRAMINGHAM AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH AT OUR ASSOCIATION STATION LOCATED IN THE DANFORTH MUSEUM STARTING AT 7:30 P.M.

ROBERT FINLEY G3UAN AN AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR FROM ENGLAND WILL GIVE A TALK ON THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND RFI PROBLEMS EXPERIENCED BY ENGLISH AMATEUR OPERATORS, PARTICULARLY BY AMATEURS IN THE LONDON AREA.

THIS MAY BE HISTORY BY THE TIME YOU RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTER, DUE TO THE FACT OF YOUR EDITORS LACK OF TIME TO PREPARE IT. POSTCARDS WERE SENT TO ALL MEMBERS AND WE HOPE THEY WILL ARRIVE IN TIME TO GIVE YOU NOTICE OF THE MEETING.

**** LAST MEETING ****

LEW K1AZE WELCOMED THE MEMBERS TO THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW YEAR, STATING THAT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE A BUSY AND SUCCESSFUL YEAR. OUR SPRING FLEA MARKET DATE HAS BEEN SET FOR APRIL 12TH THE SECOND SUNDAY IN APRIL AT THE DRILL SHED.....

LEW INTRODUCED SEVERAL GUESTS, JOE SWEENEY AND ROBERT FINLEY G3UAN, ROBERT, A NATIVE OF LONDON WILL BE HERE FOR AT LEAST A YEAR AND WE HOPE WILL BE A CONSTANT GUEST. WE SAY AGAIN, BRING A FRIEND, ANYBODY INTERESTED IN AMATEUR RADIO IS ALWAYS WELCOME AT OUR MEETINGS.....

THE JANUARY MEETING NIGHT WAS RATHER SPECIAL. LEW, OFFICIALLY DEDICATED THE ASSOCIATION STATION WHICH HAS BEEN ON THE AIR NOW FOR SEVERAL MONTHS, WORKING MANY CONTACTS.

AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING THE ASSOCIATION VOTED TO NAME THE STATION THE AL SCHALTENBRAND MEMORIAL STATION. AL, WHO RECENTLY BECAME A SILENT

KEY, WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS AND SUPPORTED THE ASSOCIATION THROUGH THE GOOD AND BAD YEARS. LEW DISPLAYED THE BRONZE PLAQUE, WHICH WILL BE MOUNTED ON THE WALL OF THE ASSOCIATION STATION IN A PROMINENT PLACE.....

JOHN MADDEN, A MEMBER OF OUR NOVICE CLASS, PRESENTED THE ASSOCIATION AN AMERICAN FLAG TO BE DISPLAYED AT EVERY MEETING. JOHN NOTICED THE LACK OF OUR COLORS AT THE FIRST MEETING HE ATTENDED AND IMMEDIATELY CORRECTED THE SITUATION. THE FLAG WAS DONATED BY THE WOODMAN OF THE WORLD INSURANCE SOCIETY, WHO PRESENT AMERICAN FLAGS TO WORTHY ORGANIZATIONS. THE COLORS WILL BE DISPLAYED AT ALL OUR MEETINGS IN THE FUTURE. IF ANYONE KNOWS WHERE WE CAN OBTAIN A FLAG STAFF AND STAND IT WOULD MAKE DISPLAYING THE COLORS MUCH EASIER.....February 1, 1981.....

OUR SECRETARY HOWARD DAVIS WA1VFJ, CHAIRMAN OF THE INTERFERENCE TASK FORCE COMMITTEE GAVE THE FOLLOWING REPORT: *(In answer to this letter)*

MALICIOUS INTERFERENCE HAS BEEN PROLIFERATING AT AN ALARMING RATE AND IS BECOMING A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM IN THIS COUNTRY AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. ALL ARRL AFFILIATED CLUBS ARE GETTING INVOLVED AT A GRASS ROOTS LEVEL, WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO EXCHANGE IDEAS TO SOLVE THIS PROBLEM BEFORE IT BECOMES A MONSTER IN OUR MIDST.....

HOWARD ANSWERED THE LETTER SENT BY THE ARRL TO ALL AFFILIATED CLUBS. THE LETTER ADDRESSED TO HAL STEINMAN K1FHN FOLLOWS:

YOUR LETTER REGARDING THE PROBLEM OF MALICIOUS INTERFERENCE HAS BEEN READ TO OUR CLUB MEMBERS AT A RECENT ASSOCIATION MEETING. TO DATE THE FRAMINGHAM AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION HAS NOT DEALT WITH THIS PROBLEM. WE AGREE, HOWEVER, THAT THIS PROBLEM HAS REACHED VERY SERIOUS PROPORTIONS AND DURING OUR LAST MEETING WE ESTABLISHED AN INTERFERENCE COMMITTEE. CHAIRMAN OF OUR COMMITTEE IS OUR ASSOCIATION SECRETARY, HOWARD DAVIS WA1VFJ. AT THIS POINT IN TIME WE HAVE YET TO ESTABLISH ANY PROCEDURES OR GUIDLINES FOR THE COMMITTEE AND WILL AWAIT INPUT FROM YOUR INTERFERENCE TASK FORCE. AS WE DEVELOP IDEAS WE WILL PASS THEM ALONG TO THE TASK FORCE. IN THE MEANTIME WE WILL SUPPORT THIS ACTIVITY IN ANY WAY WE CAN. WE HAVE ALSO RECIEVED A LETTER IN REPLY ACKNOWLEDGING OUR INTENT TO PASS AND RECIEVE INFORMATION FROM THIS INTERFERENCE TASK FORCE.....

HOWARD STATED THAT HE AND THE COMMITTEE ARE OPEN TO ALL SUGGESTIONS IDEAS AND INPUT FROM ANY MEMBERS ON THE SUBJECT.....

LEW COMMENTED THAT WHEN HE WRITES THE LETTER INVITING THE F.C.C. FIELD ENGINEERS TO GIVE A TALK AT ONE OF OUR MEETINGS, THE TOPIC OF MALICIOUS INTERFERENCE WILL BE ONE OF THE ITEMS THEY SHOULD DISCUSS.....

JOHN MACLEOD WA1IGL INFORMED THE MEMBERS THAT THE NOVICE, GENERAL CLASSES WILL RESUME AFTER THE HOLIDAY VACATION. THE GENERAL CLASSES AND

NOVICE CLASSES WILL BE SEPARATED. THE NOVICE CLASSES WILL BE HELD IN THE BACK ROOM, WHILE THE GENERAL CLASSES WILL BE HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM. THE CLASS MEMBERS WILL BE GIVEN A WRITTEN TEST AND ALL FAILING WILL BE SENT TO THE NOVICE CLASS FOR REVIEW OF THEORY AND CODE. IN PAST YEARS WE DID NOT HAVE THE ROOM AND THE GENERAL CLASSES WERE SLOWED DOWN BY HAVING NOVICES INCLUDED IN THE CLASS.....

MAC ALSO MENTIONED THAT WE HAVE A GROUP CALLED "FRAMINGHAM AREA AMATEUR EMERGENCY NET" WHO PROVIDE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FOR FRAMINGHAM AND THE SURROUNDING TOWNS. MAC ASKED FOR VOLUNTEERS TO BECOME FAMILIAR WITH THE CIVIL DEFENSE SWITCHBOARD AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT SO THAT IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, WE, AS COMMUNICATORS WILL BE ABLE TO EFFECTIVELY OPERATE THE EQUIPMENT FOR THE TOWN OF FRAMINGHAM UNTIL THE C.D. CAN GET ON BOARD DURING AN EMERGENCY SITUATION.....

THE TOWN OF FRAMINGHAM IS LOOKING FOR A CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR, CLAY ORSER HAS RETIRED AND WILL BE A HARD MAN TO REPLACE. CLAY BUILT THE COMMUNICATIONS CUBICLES FOR POLICE, FIRE, D.P.W. EDISON. N.E.T.CO. ETC AND OBTAINED COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT SUCH AS POLICE, FIRE, RADIOS, ANTENNAS, INTERCOMS AND TELEPHONES ON A VERY TIGHT BUDGET. IN SHORT, CLAY PERFORMED A MINOR MIRACLE WITH LITTLE OR NO OUTSIDE HELP. CLAY HAS ALSO BEEN VERY GOOD TO THE FRAMINGHAM AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION AND WILL BE SORELY MISSED.

WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO WORK AS CLOSELY WITH HIS SUCCESSOR AS WE DID WITH CLAY.....

LEW MENTIONED THAT WE HAVE PLANS FOR GETTING A 2 METER RIG FOR THE ASSOCIATION STATION. WE HAVE A 2 METER ANTENNA DONATED BY BOB FRYE W1EJU WHICH WE WILL MOUNT ON THE ROOF WHEN THE WEATHER GETS A LITTLE WARMER. IF ANYBODY HAS A 2 METER TRANSCIEVER TO DONATE, LOAN OR SELL TO THE CLUB FOR A REASONABLE PRICE PLEASE CONTACT LEW. THAT OLD ROCKBOUND RIG SITTING ON THE BACK SHELF WOULD BE PERFECT FOR OUR PURPOSES.....

THE FILM "MOVING UP TO AMATEUR RADIO" LOANED TO LEW BY THE 28/88 REPEATER ASSOCIATION WAS SHOWN AND ENJOYED BY THE MEMBERS. THE MEETING ENDED WITH COFFEE AND DONUTS AND GOOD CONVERSATION.....

**** DINNER MEETING ****

OUR ANNUAL BANQUET HELD AT "MARCONI'S" RESTAURANT ON THURSDAY JANUARY 11TH WAS A WHOPPING SUCCESS ONCE AGAIN WITH 75 MEMBERS AND GUESTS ATTENDING. THE FOOD SERVED FAMILY STYLE WAS ITS USUAL EXCELLANT ITALIAN GOURMET TREAT. LEW INTRODUCED SOME DISTINGUISHED GUESTS FROM OVERSEAS. INTRODUCED WERE ROLAND GERARD, A STUDENT AT OUR NOVICE CLASSES WHO IS FROM SWITZERLAND, ROLANDS MOTHER IN LAW WHO IS FROM IRELAND WAS ALSO IN ATTENDANCE. ROBERT FINLEY G3UAN FROM LONDON, ENGLAND , AND OUR OWN RUNE WANDE SMØCOP FROM SWEDEN WITH HIS XYL HILDE KA1FCG. WHO IS FROM GERMANY. A VERY SPECIAL

GUEST IN ATTENDANCE WAS MRS. ALICE SCHALTENBRAND XYL OF OUR LONG TIME MEMBER AL SCHALTENBRAND W1ICO. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DID NOT KNOW AL, HE WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDING MEMBERS AND FAITHFUL ATTENDANT AT EVERY MEETING HIS HEALTH WOULD ALLOW. LEW DISPLAYED THE PLAQUE COMMEMORATING OUR ASSOCIATION STATION IN AL'S NAME. THE PLAQUE WILL FIND A PERMENANT HOME ON THE WALL OF OUR STATION FOR ALL TO SEE.....

**** GOOD NEWS ****

OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WHO HAVE RECENTLY UPGRADED. RUNE WANDE [SMØCOP] HAS PASSED HIS EXTRA EXAM AND HIS NEW CALL IS KB1Q, DOTTIE HILBRUNNER HAS HER NEW CALLSIGN N1BHA, AND BILL STANWOOD HAS PASSED HIS NOVICE EXAM AND IS NOW KA1ELU.....

OUR TREASURER RON EGALKA K1YHM IS RAPIDLY RECOVERING FROM A LONG BOUT WITH HEPATITIS. RON WAS CONFINED TO HIS QTH FOR THE BETTER PERT OF A MONTH. WE HOPE TO SEE RON HALE AND HEARTY AT THE FEBRURARY MEETING.....

HAD A VERY PRETTY QSL CARD FROM MILO AND LILI HNLIKA WHO ARE VISITING THEIR DAUGHTER ON TORTOLA ISLAND B.V.I. THEY HAND CARRIED THEIR TRANSCIEVER ON THE TRIP AND A LOCAL RADIO CLUB HELPED THEM INSTALLING ANTENNA. MILO MADE HIS FIRST CONTACT THEN WAS SICK FOR TWO WEEKS WITH THE FLU. HE MUST HAVE BROUGHT IT WITH HIM AS THE LOCAL TEMPERATURES ARE IN THE 75 TO 80 DEGREES. THEY ARE OPERATING AS VP2VHB AND VP2VHC , WHO SAYS AMATEUR RADIO IS NOT A FAMILY AFFAIR.....

GOOD NEWS AND BAD NEWS, FIRST THE GOOD NEWS, JIM HARRIMAN WA1TDH HAS LANDED A NEW JOB WITH THE PHILLIPS CORP. BASED IN NEW JERSEY. JIM WILL BE TRAVELING THE WORLD INSTALLING AND MAINTAINING THEIR T.V. TRANSMITTERS. BEST OF LUCK JIM ON THE NEW JOB. THE BAD NEWS IS THAT WE WILL MISS YOU AT THE CLUB MEETINGS AND THANKS FOR LOANING YOUR AMATEUR EQUIPMENT TO HELP START THE ASSOCIATION STATION, IT WAS APPRECIATED.....

**** SOCIAL EVENTS ****

MARCH 6 AMATEUR RADIO/ELCTRONIC FLEA MARKET AT CUMMOCK HALL, NORTH CAMPUS
FRIDAY UNIVERSITY OF LOWELL FORM 7P.M. TO 11P.M. SETUPS BEGIN AT 6P.M.
\$5.00 PER TABLE, \$3.00 PER HALF TABLE IN ADVANCE. \$6.00 AND \$4.00
AT THE DOOR. FOR MORE INFO CONTACT - UNIVERSITY OF LOWELL WIRE-
LESS SOCIETY, BOX 133, NORTH CAMPUS, UNIVERSITY OF LOWELL MA. 01854
ADMISSION \$.50 -- REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE.....
MARCH 29 TO CELEBRATE ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY THE SOUTH SHORE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
WILL HOLD AN INDOOR FLEA MARKET AT THE VIKING CLUB,

410 QUINCY AVE., BRAINTREE, MA. FROM 11 A.M TO 4P.M. 8 FOOT TABLES ARE AVAILABE FOR \$7.50 [INCLUDES ONE ADMISSION] FOR ADVANCE RESERVATION CONTACT: ED DOHERTY, W1MPT AT 236 WILDWOOD AVENUE, BRAINTREE, MA. 02184. MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO, SOUTH SHORE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB. THE VIKING CLUB WILL BE OPEN TO VENDORS AT 10 A.M

**** SWAP AND SHOP ****

FOR SALE: A RF SIGNAL GENERATOR THAT COVERS FROM 4 MHZ TO 400 MHZ. MILITARY MODEL #CF 497B, SAME AS A MEASUREMENTS MODEL 80. A PRECISION RF SIGNAL GENERATOR FOR ONLY \$150.00, FOR MORE INFO CONTACT LEW K1AZE AT 879-7456.....

WANTED: A PHONE PATCH [COMPATIBLE WITH A DRAKE TR-4C] CONTACT KEN WA1KUL AT 879-0591.....

FOR SALE: A 2 METER MAGNETIC MOUNT MOBILE ANTENNA 5/8 WAVE, "METZ" IN MINT CONDITION...\$40.00..FOR INFO CONTACT KEN WA1KUL AT 879-0591.

FOR SALE: AN "ASTATIC" 10-DA DYNAMIC MICROPHONE AN A "G" STAND..\$45.00 [A \$60.00 VALUR] FOR INFO CONTACT KEN WA1KUL AT 879-0591.....

FOR SALE: A SUPER LOGARITHMIC SPEECH PROCESSOR..400% MORE TALK POWER..... MFH 520BX..WORKS BEAUTIFUL WITH ABOVE 10-DA MICROPHONE..... \$45.00..[\$60.00 VALUE] FOR INFO CONTACT KEN WA1KUL AT 879-0591..

FOR SALE: A "TURNER" 251 DESK MICROPHONE..\$20.00..FOR MORE INFO CONTACT KEN WA1KUL AT 879-0591.....

FOR SALE A "ELECTROVOICE" HAND HELD MICROPHONE..\$5.00...FOR MORE INFO CONTACT KEN AT 879-0591.....

FOR SALE: A HEATHKIT "APACHE" TRANSMITTER COVERING FROM 80 TO 10 METERS, C.W. AND A.M. POWER INPUT ON C.W. IS 180 WATTS AND 200 ON A.M. PHONE. A GREAT WORKHORSE FOR NOVICE AND EXPERIENCED HAMS ALIKE. FOR MORE INFO CONTACT AL K1ETY AT 429-7388.....

FOR SALE; A "HALLICRAFTER" SX62A COMMUNICATIONS RECIEVER TUNES FROM THE BROADCAST BAND THRU 6 METERS WITH AN FM 88 THRU 108 CAPABILITY.. A REAL CLASSIC RECIEVER. FOR INFO CONTACT AL K1ETY AT 429-7388..

IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO SELL OR TRADE, OR IF YOU WANT SOME PIECE OF ELECTRONIC GEAR. DROP ME A LINE OR CALL ME AT 653-6398. THE ADS ARE FREE AND WE REACH OVER 100 AMATEURS EVERY MONTH.....JIM.....

CONFUSION SAY: SOME PEOPLE HAVE PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORIES, BUT NOTHING EVER DEVELOPS.... .. --.... ..--